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SUBJ: SOUTH LEBANON: (A) KHOURY-EITAN MEETING; (B) MOVE SOUTH

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1. SAW SIILASVUO APRIL 16, 1930 LOCAL AND CONVEYED POSITIVE INDICATIONS REFTEL. CONTRARY TO WHAT HE TOLD AMBASSADOR PARKER ABOUT BEING WILLING TO GO TO NAQOURA IF BOUTROS AGREED, KHOURY TOLD JONAH APRIL 15 THAT HE DID NOT THINK IT WOULD BE WISE FOR HIM TO MAKE SUCH A TRIP. KHOURY INDICATED THAT HE WAS IN DIFFICULTY WITH BOTH THE SYRIANS AND THE PLO. JONAH APPARENTLY PRESSED HARD AND FINALLY KHOURY SAID HE MIGHT BE ABLE TO ATTEND A MEETING WITH SIILASVUO IF INVITED (THE IMPLICATION WAS THAT HE COULD NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE IF SIILASVUO HAD EITAN PRESENT AT SOME STAGE ALSO -- SIILASVUO THINKS THIS IS THE WAY TO HANDLE THIS AWKARD MATTER).

2. PASSED ALONG AMBASSADOR PARKER'S HELPFUL SUGGESTION PARA SIX REFTEL THAT SIILASVUO TRY TO SEE BOURTROS AND KHOURY TOGETHER WITH A NOTETAKER IF POSSIBLE. SIILASVUO WILL LEAVE JERUSALEM

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0830 LOCAL FOR BEIRUT APRIL 17. HE ASSUMES WALDHEIM WILL SEE SARKIS, HOSS, BOUTROS AND ARAFAT BUT HE DOES NOT KNOW TIMES OR WHO WILL BE IN WHAT MEETINGS. APPARENTLY, THE ONLY MEETINGS THAT ARE NOW CERTAIN ARE THOSE WITH SARKIS AND ARAFAT.

3. GAVE SIILASVUO GOOD NEWS ON TROOPS AND FACT KHOURY WOULD BE PREPARED DISCUSS DETAILS. IN ADDITION TO TROOPS, SIILASVUO

WANTS MORE GENDARMES.

4. RE SENEGALESE, SIILASVUO HAS INFORMED UNNY THAT HE WOULD
LIKE THEM LANDED AT RAYAK AIRFIELD IN THE BEKAA VALLEY.

5. RE TYRE, SIILASVUO SAID A NUMBER OF ARMED PALESTINIANS
HAD LEFT FOR BEIRUT "TO BE READY FOR CONTINGENCIES".

6. TOOK OCCASION TO MENTION ERSKINE'S REMARKS CITED TEL AVIV
5010. SIILASVUO AGREED COMPLETELY. SAID ERSKINE SHOULD NOT
BE MAKING STATEMENTS TO THE PRESS AND HE PLANNED TO TAKE MATTER
UP WITH WALDHEIM IN BEIRUT.
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